



The Center for Faith-Based & Community Initiatives NEWSLETTER

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Letter from the Director

Dear Newsletter Recipients,

Since our last newsletter, USAID has launched the exciting new **Impact** blog which is updated several times a day with travel reports from the Administrator, Agency news, and program and initiative updates. See below for more information on Impact as well as how you can connect with the Agency on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and LinkedIn.

Warmest regards,

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NEWS AND EVENTS

On the Road with USAID

In the last month, USAID Administrator Dr. Rajiv Shah has traveled in Africa (Kenya and Sudan) and Asia (Bangladesh and China) with a focus on President Obama's Global Health Initiative and Food Security Initiative. As he traveled,

Administrator Dr. Rajiv Shah

Dr. Shah provided updates on the new USAID Impact blog (see below for more information). To read more about his trips and his thoughts on the road, click on the links below.

Here's a brief excerpt from Dr. Shah's latest post:

[Investing in food security with the Bangladeshi government, private sector, NGOs](#)

Written by [Rajiv Shah](#) on May 26, 2010

I'm in Bangladesh today to participate in the Food Security Investment Forum. What a crowd! The Prime Minister, Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, who has shown a strong commitment to food security, spoke this morning, as well as luminaries such as Dr. David Nabarro, Dr. Shenggen Fan, and Dr. John Mellor.

We've all come together in Bangladesh because this country represents a true perfect storm situation that we need to address now. The rising population, decreasing availability of land for agricultural production, and the growing adverse consequences due to climate change means we need to think dramatically differently about what it takes to feed the future generations in this country...

To read more of the post, click [here](#).

More Blog Posts from Dr. Shah's Travel:

- [Development as a Discipline in China](#)
- [Health and Development in Southern Sudan](#)
- [A Visit to Otash Camp](#)
- [Visit to Mbagathi Hospital](#)

Press Releases on Dr. Shah's Recent Travel:

- [Bangladesh Food Security Investment Forum 2010](#)
- [USAID Administrator Rajiv Shah Marks His First Visit to Africa as Administrator](#)

In early May, Dr. Shah spoke to the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition on USAID's Approach to High Impact Development. In it, he laid out his vision for the work of the Agency. Excerpts from his speech are below along with a link to the full text.

Twenty years ago, if we wanted to assemble the, quote, "development community" – we wouldn't have to go too far beyond the walls of USAID. Today, that community has expanded dramatically, with leaders who recognize the importance of our work, bringing new skills to the field from different disciplines.

These include corporate leaders like Indra Nooyi of PepsiCo and David O'Reilly from Chevron, who understand the power corporations have to reach millions, and the potential that power holds to improve lives.

They also include philanthropists, like Bill Gates and Mo Ibrahim, who have studied these issues deeply and have lent a business-like discipline and an investor's desire for success to a field that needed both.

USAID's Approach to High Impact Development:

Remarks by Dr. Shah to the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition

**Washington, DC
May 5, 2010**

They include advocates like Bono and Shakira who have developed their own deep expertise in the issues and have lent the reach of their fame to some of the world's most important causes, raising awareness among those we in this room have difficulty reaching.

But perhaps the most important leaders who've joined our field are the grassroots leaders in our communities: the church groups who advocate for humanitarian relief, the Baby Boomers who forego a comfortable retirement to join the Peace Corps, and the college students who oversubscribe courses on development -- and, by the way, it's great to see so many students here today.

This inspiring level of engagement, this new generation of change, is exactly what we need to tap into.

We cannot be insular or dismissive of these new development partners. We cannot elevate development by relying on the traditional development community alone. This is a time to be bolder, to reach beyond our comfort zone, and to be imaginative about how we can work better, cheaper, and faster in the pursuit of high impact development...

In four core areas, we already are putting a new approach into practice:

The first is honoring our commitment to the Millennium Development Goals -- not by delivering services but by building sustainable systems to support healthy and productive lives...

Second, we are strengthening our ability to invest in country-owned models of inclusive growth and development success...

Third, we are finding new ways to leverage science and technology to develop and deliver those tools and innovations that we believe can lead to exponential growth and transformational change...

Finally, we continue to bring USAID's expertise to bear on some of the most daunting challenges we as a nation face -- sites of active conflict...

To read the entire speech, click [here](#).

USAID Meets With Faith Leaders

Recognizing the important role of the faith-based community in both humanitarian assistance as well as longer-term development efforts, USAID frequently meets with religious leaders and other members of the faith-based community.

For example, Theodore McCarrick, Cardinal Archbishop Emeritus of Washington, recently met with Administrator Shah and Ari Alexander, Deputy Director of the Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives to exchange ideas on international development and to recognize the vital role of Catholic organizations in implementing programs around the world.

Ari and the Haiti Task Team Coordinator Paul Weisenfeld also met with the

Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church, the Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori, and discussed the U.S. government's foreign assistance in Haiti. Mr. Weisenfeld and Presiding Bishop Jefferts Schori agreed that USAID and the Episcopal Church will work together to increase information sharing and outreach. To read more about this important meeting, click [here](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION

USAID Launches Impact Blog to Inform Public on Global Initiatives and Activities and other USAID Social Media

USAID's new Impact blog, <http://blog.usaid.gov>, provides a forum for direct communication between USAID, the Administrator and the public. Featured content on the blog will include updates from our missions and partners around the world told through images and personal stories. Administrator Shah will give his personal insights and views on a variety of issues and sees this blog as contributing to our overall mission of creating more transparency throughout the agency. The blog will be a forum for continued engagement with the public and encourages feedback and discussion.

One feature of the Impact blog that we are excited about will be occasional posts written by USAID partners. If you have stories about your programs and activities that you would like to submit for consideration for the blog, please send them with a brief explanatory note to FBCI@usaid.gov.

Features of the Impact Blog

- Reports from Dr. Shah and other USAID staff from their travels
- "This Week at USAID"
- Reports on the Administrator's meetings with Heads of State and Government Ministers
- Website Launches for Presidential Initiatives and announcements of recently released strategy documents and reports
- "Q&A" with senior USAID staff
- USAID in the News
- Picture of the Week

Also, check out USAID's presence on these social media tools.

- [Twitter](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- [LinkedIn](#)
- [YouTube](#)

Stay Tuned: USAID Procurement Reform

As one of his first priorities upon coming into the Agency, Dr. Shah set up a Procurement Reform Working Group at the Agency focused on examining the way USAID does business and making recommendations for how USAID can better work with its partners. We are very involved in these efforts. Watch this space for more information on the recommendations as they are put forward.

InterAction Forum 2010

June 2-4, 2010

In early June, InterAction is holding its annual forum for the NGO community. Dr. Shah, Mr. Paul Weisenfeld, and other USAID representatives will be participating in its plenary sessions and workshops. We look forward to this opportunity to dialogue with the NGO community.

For more information, click [here](#).

USAID FUNDING

(check out grants.gov for the most up-to-date information on grant and funding opportunities as information does change)

Annual Program Statement (APS)

- An APS is used to generate competition for activities that are complementary to USAID's strategic objectives. They originate from USAID offices and missions around the world and solicit creative approaches and programs that will accomplish defined objectives.

Request for Applications (RFA)

- RFAs invite interested parties to submit competitive applications for USAID assistance, explaining what the application should contain, how it should be written, and the evaluation criteria to be used.

USAID/Cairo - Developing Rehabilitation Assistance to Schools and Teacher Improvement (D-RASATI) - On behalf of USAID/Lebanon, the Regional Procurement Office of USAID/Egypt is issuing this request for applications to implement education activities. This program aims to improve student achievement by improving the quality of teachers' performance through in-service training, upgrading the educational environments at all 1,400 Lebanese public schools based on standards agreed upon in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEHE) and increasing stakeholder engagement in school activities. Applicants must be non-governmental entities of U.S. nationality, otherwise there is no restriction. The closing date of this announcement is June 6, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID - Ocean Freight Reimbursement Program - The Ocean Freight Reimbursement (OFR) Program is USAID's oldest ongoing Private Voluntary Organization (PVO) support program. The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, Section 123 (b), authorized the creation of the program and, as amended, allows USAID to reimburse eligible transportation charges for shipments of privately donated goods and U.S. excess property for USAID-registered U.S. PVOs. The OFR Program provides small, competitive grants to approximately 50 U.S. PVOs each year. Funds are used to reimburse registered PVO's ocean transport costs to transport donated commodities, such as medical supplies, agricultural equipment, educational supplies, and building equipment to developing countries. While USAID reimburses the direct cost of ocean freight, participating PVOs are responsible for all associated indirect costs and ancillary costs, such as commodity acquisition, warehousing, insurance, local transportation and distribution. Additional background information on the OFR Program can be found at www.usaid.gov USAID Keyword: OFR. The closing date of this announcement is June 7, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Dhaka - National Initiative and Response to Advance Public Order for Development (NIRAPOD) - This solicitation outlines the USAID/Bangladesh Mission's Community Based Policing Project. Through this award USAID/Bangladesh seeks to demonstrate a successful community-based policing model to improve public safety, law and order for strengthened governance in vulnerable areas, and to provide a stronger, more responsive community-based policing network, particularly in sparsely governed and ungoverned spaces in the Northwestern region of the country. The closing date of this announcement is June 8, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Pretoria - Community Based Responses to HIV/AIDS - Mozambique - This APS is being initiated in support of the overall PEPFAR Mozambique strategy. The APS' over-arching objective is to improve the continuum of prevention, care, and treatment at the community level by strengthening Mozambican civil society to play a more meaningful and sustainable role in response to HIV/AIDS. Applicants must be registered Mozambican organizations. Eligible organizations include Mozambican non-governmental organizations (NGOs), faith-based organizations (FBOs), community-based organizations (CBOs), universities, foundations, professional associations, non-profit organizations, and consortia of the above. The closing date of this announcement is June 10, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID-West Bank - Community Infrastructure Development Program - The objectives of this program are to: Provide basic multi-sector infrastructure packages to remote communities in order to raise their standard of living; Support requests to increase the impact of USAID-funded programs in health, democracy and governance, education and the private sector by addressing underlying infrastructure needs which may be limiting the impact of those programs; and To the full extent practicable,

provide employment opportunities to Palestinian communities, enhance local government capacity to respond to urgent infrastructure needs, and encourage community participation and empowerment in the planning, design, construction, and maintenance of public infrastructure. The closing date for this opportunity is June 11, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID - Health Policy Project (HPP) - USAID is seeking applications for a Cooperative Agreement from eligible U.S. based for-profit, non-profit, private voluntary organization, or an Institution of Higher Education for a program titled, "Health Policy Project (HPP)." The Health Policy Project will engage and strengthen the ability of individuals, in-country and/or regional institutions and universities to build long-term capacity in the health policy arena and to address policy and advocacy needs at national and sub-national levels. The closing date of this announcement is June 14, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Cairo - University Student Assistance Program (USAP) - The purpose of USAP is to provide undergraduate scholarships for promising students with high financial need at American educational institutions and other higher education institutions in Lebanon that promote tolerance, gender and social equality, and critical thinking. The closing date of this announcement is June 14, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/EGAT - Modernizing Extension and Advisory Services Program - USAID seeks applications from eligible institutions to implement one part of an activity entitled "Modernizing Extension and Advisory Services Program." The successful applicant will be awarded a five-year Leader with Associates (LWA) Cooperative Agreement with responsibility for designing and implementing a worldwide program of knowledge management and extension services development activities intended to provide results in multiple countries and/or regions. The closing date of this announcement is June 16, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/San Salvador - Building Resilience (BR) Program - The objective of this program is to support disaster affected communities and households in El Salvador to recover their basic necessities of life such as housing and basic community services while building a foundation for resiliency at a personal and community level. The closing date of this announcement is June 18, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).
USAID - Integrated Health Project (IHP) - The objective of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) Integrated Health Project (IHP) is to improve the basic health conditions of the Congolese people in selected health zones. The objective contributes to the United States Government (USG) Country Assistance Strategy and emerging USG priorities in the Global Health Initiative (GHI). The closing date of this announcement is June 21, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Nairobi - Prevention of and Protection Against Sexual Violence using Behavior Change Communication - USAID/DRC's program to respond to and prevent SGBV is a critical element of the U.S. Government's foreign policy goal in the DRC to support the emergence of a stable, democratic Congo that is at peace with its neighbors and provides for the basic needs of its citizens. USAID/EA is seeking applications from qualified U.S. and non U.S. organizations and institutions, in the form of partnerships or consortia that include DRC organizations, interested in providing the services described in this solicitation. The closing date of this announcement is June 21, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Nairobi - Opportunities for Equitable Access to Quality Basic Education (OPEQ) - The purpose of the project is to provide opportunities for improved equitable access to quality basic education in North & South Kivu, and Katanga provinces. USAID/EA is seeking applications from qualified U.S. and non U.S. organizations and institutions, in the form of partnerships or consortia that include DRC organizations, interested in providing the services described in this solicitation. The closing date of this

announcement is June 21, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/West Bank - Enhancing Palestinian Independent Media” program – The overarching goal of the media program entitled “Enhancing Palestinian Independent Media” program is to promote informed dialogue between the Palestinian Authority and the Palestinian public by enhancing the role of independent media in a future democratic state. The closing date of this announcement is June 23, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Nairobi - Youth Empowerment Program in Kenya - The goal of the activities for the Yes Youth Can! APS is to empower Kenyan youth by developing leadership and organizations, promoting inter-ethnic understanding, facilitating innovation, providing technical assistance, and channeling resources to at-risk youth in key provinces to improve competitiveness; Create jobs and new market opportunities; Enhance youth voices in policy dialogue and interethnic coalitions, and; Generate new possibilities for community well-being. Teaming arrangements, especially those that include Kenyan partners, are also encouraged in order to adequately provide multi-sectoral expertise required for design and implementation of an integrated program. Kenyan organizations are encouraged to apply as Prime applicants or as sub-awardees. First Closing Date for Submission of Concept Papers is June 28, 2010 Final Closing Date for Submission of Concept Papers is November 26, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Antananarivo - Community-Based Integrated Health Program - USAID/Madagascar, through the Regional Acquisition and Assistance Office in Pretoria, is seeking applications from eligible Applicants for a program to increase the use of quality services and products by delivering a “package” of strategically integrated interventions (maternal, child and newborn health; family planning and reproductive health; malaria prevention and control; water supply and sanitation and nutrition) to underserved populations living in rural and difficult to reach areas of the Northern and Western regions of Madagascar. Applicants are encouraged to consider a variety of partnership models. USAID encourages Applications from US NGOs and PVOs in partnership with registered local Malagasy organizations (NGOs and FBOs) in the focus regions. In support of the Agency’s interest in fostering a larger assistance base and expanding the number and sustainability of development partners, USAID encourages applications from potential new partners. The closing date of this announcement is June 24, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID - Control of Neglected Tropical Diseases - The purpose of this RFA is to provide USAID and the Bureau for Global Health (GH) with assistance to decrease the burden of seven diseases recognized as ‘the Neglected Tropical Diseases’ (NTDs) that inflict economic, psychosocial, and physical damage on the poorest populations in the developing world. The closing date of this announcement is June 30, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Nairobi - Media Sector Development Program - USAID is seeking applications to fund a three (3) to five (5) year program entitled Media Sector Development Program (MSDP) in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) Strengthened Media to Increase Access to Information and Promote Civic Participation in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The closing date of this announcement is July 1, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Dar es Salaam - Management of Severe Febrile Illness - Through this RFA and the resulting award, USAID aims to support the Government of Tanzania in improving child health and to strengthen the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare’s (MoHSW) capacity to provide fundamental diagnostic and treatment services for malaria and other major causes of severe febrile illness and death in children under five, and to strengthen linkages with community based child health promotion programs

including those that serve orphans and vulnerable children (OVC). The closing date of this announcement is July 2, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Dakar - Capacity Building for Agricultural Education and Research Project -

USAID is seeking applications from qualified U.S. and Non U.S. Organizations and institutions, in the form of partnerships or teams (primes and subs) that include Senegalese organizations for a program entitled "Capacity Building for Agricultural Education and Research Project" in Senegal. The closing date of this announcement is July 12, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Antananarivo - Water and Sanitation - Subject to the availability of funds, USAID/Madagascar intends to award up to two (02) Cooperative Agreements, for program duration of approximately three years but not to exceed September 30, 2013, for Water II program. This program's objective is to increase sustainable access to improved drinking water supply and improved sanitation facilities for poor and vulnerable populations in Madagascar. The closing date of this announcement is July 14, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID - Inform Decision-Makers to Act (IDEA) APS – USAID is seeking concept papers from qualified U.S. non-profit non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) for a program titled "Inform Decision-Makers to Act (IDEA)." USAID anticipates awarding up to four (4) cooperative agreements to organizations for a period of up to five (5) years with a total maximum ceiling of \$15 million each. The purpose of this APS is to increase support among decision-makers for effective health and population policies and programs. The closing date of this announcement is July 18, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Dakar - Agricultural Development Program - USAID is seeking applications from qualified U.S. and non U.S. organizations and institutions, in the form of partnerships or teams (primes and subs) that include Senegalese organizations for a program entitled Agricultural Development Program in Senegal. The closing date of this announcement is July 22, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Manila - Annual Program Statement for Expanding Participation of Persons with Disability (PWDs) in Development Programming - USAID/Philippines is seeking innovative applications from qualified non-governmental organizations capable of providing assistance to promote the inclusion of PWDs in development cooperation, to find solutions to break down existing as well as potential barriers and to ensure full inclusion of people with disabilities in USAID activities and programs. USAID is providing approximately \$2,000,000 worldwide in FY 2009 ESF Funds for projects that address the program objectives under this APS. Concept papers submitted by USAID/Philippines will compete on a global basis for funding. The closing date for this announcement is July 30, 2010. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Jakarta - SIAP II - AMENDMENT NO. 2 – USAID/Indonesia intends to award a series of Grant Agreements or Cooperative Agreements, for program duration not to exceed September 30, 2012 related to Good Governance by strengthening integrity and accountability in Government of Indonesia. Please read the full announcement of SIAP II/APS 10-003 and its amendments. USAID/Indonesia is seeking applications from registered indigenous (local) Indonesian Organizations and/or registered indigenous (local) Indonesian Organization in partnership with US Non-Governmental Organization (NGOs). The closing date of this announcement is July 30, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Panama City - MERIDA Small Grant Program for Community Youth at Risk (CYAR) – USAID/Panama solicits expressions of interest from prospective local non-governmental organizations to receive small grants for implementing activities in support of USAID/Panama's Community Youth at-Risk (CYAR) Activity. The closing

date of this announcement is August 4, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Jakarta – SUPPORTING UNIVERSITIES TO PARTNER ACROSS THE PACIFIC -

The USAID Mission to Indonesia is seeking applications from U.S. institutions of higher education that support USAID/Indonesia's development strategy through partnership activities between institutions of higher education in Indonesia and the United States. The closing date of this announcement is August 27, 2010. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Lilongwe: Public Private Alliances in Education, Care, and Support for OVCS and Agriculture –

The USAID/Malawi Mission invites interest from prospective local and international partner organizations to form Global Development Alliances to support USAID/Malawi's development objectives. Alliance partners are expected to bring significant new resources, ideas, technologies, and/or partners to address development problems that USAID/Malawi is currently working to address. Successful applications will bring at least a 1:1 resource leveraging to priority development activities within USAID/Malawi's strategic focus areas. The closing date of this announcement is September 10, 2010. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Jakarta - Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Program - USAID/Indonesia is seeking applications from U.S. and International Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) that describes approaches to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in both the land use/forestry sector and the energy sector. The closing date of this announcement is September 15, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Washington - FY2010 Annual Program Statement - The USAID Office of Development Partners (ODP) invites interest from prospective partner organizations to form Global Development Alliances to carry out activities in support of USAID's international development objectives. Alliance partners are expected to bring significant new resources, ideas, technologies, and/or partners to address development problems and challenges in countries where USAID is currently working. Successful proposals will bring at least a 1:1 resource leveraging to focus on priority development activities within USAID's manageable interest. Proposals which involve corporate funding partners and corporate partners that demonstrate a longer-term commitment to a GDA activity after USAID support ends will also be seen as more competitive. This solicitation is encouraging and creating the competitive environment for new alliances to be created in FY 2010. The closing date of this announcement is September 30, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/DCHA/Food For Peace - Emergency Food Security Program - The purpose of this APS is to disseminate information to enable prospective applicants to decide whether to seek funding in support of the subject Emergency Food Security Program (EFSP). The closing date of this announcement is October 7, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Kabul - Addressing Short-Term Stabilization and Long-Term Development Objectives through Revitalization of Afghan Agriculture - The goal of this activity is to support the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan (GIROA) and the United States Government (USG) priorities to increase employment and income in the agricultural and livestock sectors. The closing date of this announcement is November 6, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Jakarta - Climate Adaptation and Disaster Resilience (CADRE) - Subject to the availability of funds, USAID/Indonesia intends to award a series of Cooperative Agreements, of approximate value between \$500,000 and \$1,500,000 each for a period up to three years. The Program to be implemented is the "Climate Adaptation and Disaster Resilience (CADRE)" for which the Recipient will be responsible for ensuring achievement of the program objectives as described in the APS. The closing

date of this announcement is December 6, 2010. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Brasilia - BRAZIL PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - The USAID Mission in Brazil is seeking concept papers to create new partnerships to support USAID Brazil Mission priorities in Economic Growth and Investing in People through initiatives in the following areas: 1) Corporate Social Responsibility; 2) Disaster Assistance; 3) Energy – Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency; 4) Environment – Biodiversity; 5) Health – HIV/AIDS, Malaria and Tuberculosis. The closing date of this announcement is April 13, 2011. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID - APS for Biomedical Research for Reproductive Health - The purpose of the APS is to publicize this United States Government's (USG) plan to fund a limited number of awards through USAID/Washington's Office of Population and Reproductive Health (PRH), and Office of HIV/AIDS (OHA), to address a focused set of family planning/reproductive health (FP/RH) issues. The closing date of this announcement is May 24, 2011. For more information, click [here](#).

USAID/Washington - Support for International Family Planning Organizations (SIFPO) - The USAID Office of Population and Reproductive Health (PRH) within the Global Health Bureau is seeking concept papers from qualified applicants for funding of grants and/or cooperative agreements. The purpose of this Annual Program Statement (APS) is to publicize United States Government (USG) plans to fund a limited number of awards through USAID/Washington to support increased capacity among international family planning (FP) organizations, in order to increase the availability of quality FP services worldwide. This APS has an open-ended closing date. If this APS becomes irrelevant for any reason or funding is unavailable, USAID reserves the right to close the APS. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Jakarta - Strengthening Integrity and Accountability Program II (SIAP II) - USAID/Indonesia is seeking applications from registered indigenous (local) Indonesian Organizations and/or registered indigenous (local) Indonesian Organization in partnership with US and Non-US Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs). For information on the closing dates for the expected rounds of funding, please refer to the Annual Program Statement. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Cairo - Community Livelihoods Project in Yemen - In the near future, USAID Yemen intends to announce a full and open competition to implement the Mission's Community Livelihoods Project (CLP) subject to the availability of funds. This integrated, flexible, multi-sectoral initiative will serve as the flagship project for the Mission's implementation of the 2010-2012 USAID/Yemen Strategy. The project is intended to mitigate the drivers of instability in some of Yemen's most difficult areas through the facilitation and implementation of quality government service delivery, job creation, responsive local governance, and active civic participation. Subject to the availability of funds, the estimated budget for the three year base period is approximately \$65 million. Please note that the Mission staff will be unable to entertain meetings or respond to queries with prospective implementers at this stage. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Cairo - National Governance Project in Yemen - In the near future, USAID Yemen intends to announce a full and open competition to implement the Mission's future National Governance Project (NGP) subject to the availability of funds. This integrated, multi-sectoral program will be technically complementary to USAID/Yemen's future flagship project, the Community Livelihoods Project (CLP). NGP will be a key part of the Mission's implementation program under the 2010-2012 USAID Yemen Strategy. NGP is intended to facilitate more equitable socio-economic development by strengthening public policies and institutions that will contribute to mitigating the drivers of instability in Yemen. Subject to the availability of funds, the estimated budget for the three year base period is approximately \$20 million. Please

note that the Mission staff will be unable to entertain meetings or respond to queries with prospective implementers at this stage. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/West Bank – Civic Participation Program - The purpose of the Civic Participation Program is to reinvigorate civic participation in the Palestinian Authority (PA) decision-making process, in the monitoring and oversight of government institutions, and in the broader public sector discourse in order to ensure a more vibrant and robust democratic dialogue between the government and the citizens of the future Palestinian state. **Closing date of the solicitation will be indicated in the full RFA announcement once posted.** For more information, click [here](#).

U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT FUNDING

(check out www.grants.gov for the most up-to-date information on grant and funding opportunities as information does change)

Population, Refugees and Migration

Fiscal Year 2010 grant opportunities from the **Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration at the U.S. Department of State** can be found at: <http://www.state.gov/g/prm/c31025.htm>. Additional information, including PRM's general guidelines for NGOs can be found at:

<http://www.state.gov/g/prm/c27111.htm>. Current opportunities include:

- NGO Projects in the North and South Caucasus
- FY 2010 Funding Opportunity Announcement for NGO programs benefiting Afghan refugees in Pakistan
- FY 2010 Funding Opportunity Announcement for NGO programs benefiting returning refugees in Afghanistan
- FY 2011 Funding Opportunity Announcement for Reception and Placement Program

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs

Open Funding Opportunities for the **Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs** at the U.S. Department of State can be found at:

<http://exchanges.state.gov/grants/open2.html>. Current opportunities include:

- TechWomen
- 2010 Community Solutions Program
- Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (YES) Program: "Overseas YES Inbound Recruitment, YES Abroad Placement, and Alumni Components" for the 2011-12 Academic Year
- Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Program (YES): "US YES Inbound Placement and YES Abroad Recruitment Components"
- Offices of the Fulbright Representative, Moscow and Kyiv
- Edmund S. Muskie Graduate Fellowship Program
- Survey of International Educational Exchange Activity with the United States
- U.S. Professional Development Program for EducationUSA Advisers

Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs - Establishment of University Partnerships in Journalism, Afghanistan - The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in Kabul announces an open competition for a cooperative agreement to establish a University Partnership between a U.S. four year college or university and Kabul University in the field of journalism. **The closing date for this announcement is June 30, 2010.** For more information, click [here](#).

Office of Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs – Creative and Sustainable Television Series For Broadcast on Major Pan Arab Free-to-Air Satellite channels of the MENA region - For-profit and not-for-profit organizations and non-U.S. entities are invited to submit proposals to expand new media for targeted Arabic language television programs for the purpose of fostering mutual respect and improving relations between the Muslim world and the United States through indigenous Arabic language satellite media. **The closing date of this announcement is June 10, 2010.** For more information, click [here](#).

Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor - Democracy and Governance Initiatives, Iraq - Proposals should demonstrate organizations' creativity, experience and sensitivity in the design and management of programs that will strengthen and promote cooperation among Iraqi civil society organizations and democratic institutions, and achieve desired outcomes including non-violent expression and resolution of political differences; inclusive processes of public deliberation; and a sustainable, accountable, and responsive system of governance. **The closing date of this announcement is June 30, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).**

Turkish, Armenian and American Youth Leadership Development - The Offices of Public Affairs of the US Embassies in Turkey and Armenia announce the Turkish, Armenian and American Youth Leadership Development Project open competition. Public and private non-profit organizations may submit proposals to conduct a three-to four-week program in the United States followed by two week-long programs in Turkey and Armenia focusing on youth leadership, cross-cultural communications, community activism and cultural sharing. **The closing date of this announcement is July 1, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).**

Embassy Kabul Public Affairs Section (PAS) Annual Program Statement - The U.S. Embassy Kabul Public Affairs Section (PAS) of the U.S. Department of State is pleased to announce funding is available through the embassy's Public Diplomacy Grants program. Purpose of Grant: Local Grants are intended for local representatives of civil society, including non-governmental organizations and universities. They support projects to: 1. Expand media engagement. 2. Build communication capacity of the Afghan people and government. 3. Counter extremist voices that recruit, mislead, and exploit. 4. Strengthen people-to-people ties to deepen the partnership between communities within Afghanistan and between Afghanistan and the United States. - U.S. Embassy Kabul Public Affairs Section encourages applications from committed and organized civil-society organizations, private sector companies, local representatives of civil society, think tanks, non-governmental organizations, and universities. Applications will be received on a rolling basis and will be reviewed on the basis of their fullness, coherence, clarity, and attention to detail. Archive Date for this announcement is October 1, 2010. For more information, click [here](#).

U.S. Mission to Afghanistan - Afghan Women's Empowerment Grants Program - The Political Section at U.S. Embassy Kabul is pleased to announce that we are currently accepting applications for the newly-launched Afghan Women's Empowerment (AWE) Grants Program. The AWE Grants Program provides \$5,000-\$50,000 grants for Afghan-led projects that increase women's participation in the political sphere. **The closing date for this announcement is September 30, 2012. For more information, click [here](#).**

MEPI Regional Office Annual Program Statement - The Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) of the U.S. Department of State is pleased to announce funding is available through the Regional Offices' Local Grants program. Purpose of Grant: Local Grants are intended for local representatives of civil society, including non-governmental organizations and universities. They support projects to expand and develop civil society and encourage indigenous efforts to create societies based on pluralism, participation, and prosperity. Funding is available for projects that increase the scope and capacity and participation of civil society, create new economic opportunities, enhance access to and quality of education systems, and/or empower women. **Applications will be received on a rolling basis and will be reviewed on the basis of their fullness, coherence, clarity, and attention to detail. For more information, click [here](#).**